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FOLLOWING IS INFORMATION IN REPLY TO REFTEL REQUEST:

UNDER TERMS OF COVENANT AMERICAN CITIZENS FROM OUTSIDE THE
MARIANAS INCLUDING TEACHERS WILL NOT HAVE PREFERENTIAL
TREATMENT NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. ON THE OTHER HAND, CITIZENS
OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS MAY CONTINUE TO ENJOY PREFERENTIAL
TREATMENT CONCERNING LOCAL POSITIONS UP TO THE
DATE THE NEW MARIANAS GOVERNMENT COMES INTO BEING. THE
MARIANAS GOVERNMENT LIKE OTHER STATES AND TERRITORIES MAY
NOT APPLY ITS LAWS SO AS TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OTHER
AMERICANS. HOWEVER, THE MARIANAS WILL STILL HAVE THE RIGHT,
AS DO ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES, TO
ESTABLISH LOCAL CRITERIA FOR LICENSING AND HIRING PROFES-
SIONAL PERSONNEL APPROPRIATE TO LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS
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REQUIRING TEACHERS TO HAVE PROFICIENCY IN THE LOCAL

LANGUAGES.

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